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YOSHIHARU WAKAO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: LUCAS STELLING

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FOR: METHOD FOR TREATING SHIP :

BALLAST WATER

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.